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## Claims

- 1. Compositions for producing amino resin products by melt processing, characterized in that the compositions are composed of
  - A) from 95 to 99.9% by mass of solvent-free meltable polycondensates of melamine resins having molar masses of 300 to 300 000, the melamine resin polycondensates being mixtures of meltable 4- to 1000- nucleus polytriazine ethers,
  - B) from 0.1 to 5% by mass of weak acids as thermoinducible curing agents, composed of
  - B1) acid formers of the type of blocked sulphonic acid of the general formula (I)

$$R_1 - SO_2 - O - R_2$$
 (I)

 $R_1$  = unsubstituted or substituted aryl or biphenyl

$$R_2$$
 = 4-nitrobenzyl, pentafluorobenzyl or  $N = C$ 

$$N (R_4)(R_5)$$

substituents

where

 $R_3$  = non-substituted or substituted alkyl or aryl,

 $R_4$  = H,  $C_1$ - $C_{12}$ -alkyl, phenyl,  $C_2$ - $C_9$ -alkanoyl or benzyl,

 $R_5 = H$ ,  $C_1$ - $C_{12}$ -alkyl or cyclohexyl,

or  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  or  $R_5$  together with the atoms to which they are attached form a 5- to 8-membered ring which can be fused by 1 or 2 benzo radicals,

- B2) C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> aliphatic and/or C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> aromatic carboxylic acids,
- B3) alkali metal salts or ammonium salts of phosphoric acid,
- B4) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>-alkyl esters or C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-hydroxyalkyl esters of C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aromatic carboxylic acids or inorganic acids,



- B5) salts of melamine or guanamines with C<sub>1-18</sub> aliphatic carboxylic acids,
- B6) anhydrides, monoesters or monoamides of  $C_4$ - $C_{20}$  dicarboxylic acids,
- B7) monoesters or monoamides of copolymers of ethylenically unsaturated C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> dicarboxylic anhydrides and ethylenically unsaturated monomers of the type of C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> olefins and/or C<sub>8</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> vinylaromatics, and/or
- B8) salts of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>-alkylamines and/or alkanolamines with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> aliphatic, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aromatic or alkylaromatic carboxylic acids and also inorganic acids of the type of hydrochloric acid, sulphuric acid or phosphoric acid, and
- C) if desired, up to 400% by mass of fillers and/or reinforcing fibres, up to 30% by mass of other reactive polymers of the ethylene copolymer, maleic anhydride copolymer, modified maleic anhydride copolymer, poly(meth)acrylate, polyamide, polyester and/or polyurethane type, and up to 4% by mass, based in each case on the melamine resin polycondensates, of stabilizers, UV absorbers and/or auxiliaries.
- 2. Compositions according to Claim 1, characterized in that in the polytriazine ethers the triazine segments

 $R_1$  = -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-R<sub>3</sub>, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-R<sub>4</sub>-OH, -CH<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OH, phthalimido-,

succinimido-, -NH-CO- $_{\text{C5-C18}}$ -alkyl, -NH-C $_{\text{5}}$ -C $_{\text{18}}$ -alkylene-OH,

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-NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH<sub>2</sub>,

-NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-R<sub>4</sub>-O-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH-, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH-,

-NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH-,

-NH-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH-, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH-,

 $R_2 = H, C_1-C_7$ -alkyl;

 $R_3 = C_1 - C_{18} - alkyl, H;$ 

$$\begin{split} R_4 &= C_2\text{-}C_{18}\text{-}alkylene, -CH(CH_3)\text{-}CH_2\text{-}O\text{-}_{C2\text{-}C12}\text{-}alkylene-O\text{-}\\ &\quad CH_2\text{CH}(CH_3)\text{-}, -CH(CH_3)\text{-}CH_2\text{-}O\text{-}_{C2\text{-}C12}\text{-}arylene-O\text{-}CH_2\text{-}\\ &\quad CH(CH_3)\text{-}, -[CH_2\text{-}CH_2\text{-}O\text{-}CH_2\text{-}CH_2]_n\text{-}, -[CH_2\text{-}CH(CH_3)\text{-}O\text{-}CH_2\text{-}\\ &\quad CH(CH_3)]_n\text{-}, -[-O\text{-}CH_2\text{-}CH_2\text{-}CH_2\text{-}CH_2\text{-}]_n\text{-}, \\ &\quad -[(CH_2)_{2\text{-}8}\text{-}O\text{-}CO\text{-}_{C6\text{-}C14}\text{-}arylene\text{-}CO\text{-}O\text{-}(CH_2)_{2\text{-}8}\text{-}]_n\text{-}, \\ &\quad -[(CH_2)_{2\text{-}8}\text{-}O\text{-}CO\text{-}_{C2\text{-}C12}\text{-}alkylene\text{-}CO\text{-}O\text{-}(CH_2)_{2\text{-}8}\text{-}]_n\text{-}, \\ &\quad \text{where } n = 1 \text{ to } 200; \end{split}$$

- sequences containing siloxane groups, of the type

- polyester sequences containing siloxane groups, of the type -[(X)<sub>r</sub>-O-CO-(Y)<sub>s</sub>-CO-O-(X)<sub>r</sub>]-,

in which

$$X = \{(CH_2)_{2-8} - O - CO - C_{6-C_{14}} - arylene - CO - O - (CH_2)_{2-8} - or - \{(CH_2)_{2-8} - O - CO - C_{2-C_{12}} - alkylene - CO - O - (CH_2)_{2-8} - \};$$

$$C_{1}-C_{4}-\text{ alkyl} \qquad C_{1}-C_{4}-\text{ alkyl}$$
 
$$| \qquad | \qquad |$$
 
$$Y = -\{c_{6}-c_{14}-\text{arylene}-CO-O-\{\{Si-O-\{Si-O\}_{y}-CO-c_{6}-c_{14}.\text{ arylene}-\}\}$$
 
$$| \qquad | \qquad |$$
 
$$C_{1}-C_{4}-\text{ alkyl} \qquad C_{1}-C_{4}-\text{ alkyl}$$

or

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C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>- alkyl C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>- alkyl

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$$C_{1}$$
- $C_{4}$ - alkyl  $C_{1}$ - $C_{2}$ - $C_{12}$ - alkylene- $C_{12}$ - $C_{12}$ - alkyl  $C_{1}$ - $C_{4}$ - $C_{$ 

r = 1 to 70; s = 1 to 70 and y = 3 to 50;

- polyether sequences containing siloxane groups, of the type

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} C_{1}\text{-}C_{4}\text{-} & \text{alkyl} & C_{1}\text{-}C_{4}\text{-} & \text{alkyl} \\ & | & | & | \\ & -\text{CH}_{2}\text{-}\text{CHR}_{2}\text{-}O\text{-}(\{Si\text{-}O\text{-}[Si\text{-}O]_{y}\text{-}\text{CHR}_{2}\text{-}\text{CH}_{2}\text{-} \\ & | & | \\ & C_{1}\text{-}C_{4}\text{-} & \text{alkyl} & C_{1}\text{-}C_{4}\text{-} & \text{alkyl} \end{array}$$

where  $R_2 = H$ ;  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkyl and y = 3 to 50;

- sequences based on alkylene oxide adducts of melamine, of the type of 2-amino-4,6-di-<sub>C2-C4</sub>-alkyleneamino-1,3,5-triazine sequences;
- phenol ether sequences based on dihydric phenols and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub> diols, of the type of
   -C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylene-O-C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-arylene-O-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylene- sequences;

are linked by bridge members -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH- or-NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-R<sub>4</sub>-O-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH- and -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH- and also, where appropriate, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-CHR<sub>2</sub>-NH-, -NH-CHR<sub>2</sub>-O-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH- and/or -NH-C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>-alkylene-NH- to form 4- to 1 000-nucleus polytriazine ethers with a linear and/or branched structure,

in the polytriazine ethers the molar ratio of the substituents  $R_3:R_4$  = 20:1 to 1:20, the proportion of the linkages of the triazine segments through bridge members -NH-CHR<sub>3</sub>-O-R<sub>4</sub>-O-CHR<sub>3</sub>-NH- being from 5 to 95 mol%, and it being possible for the polytriazine ethers to

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contain up to 20% by mass of diols of the type HO-R<sub>4</sub>-OH.